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EAST BERLIN, AUG 9 (REUTERS)--THE PROSECUTION TODAY CALLED FOR LIFE IMPRISONMENT FOR WHAT IT CALLED A CONFESSED AMERICAN SECRET AGENT WHO SAID HE TRIED TO LURE AN EAST GERMAN INTO FLYING A RUSSIAN JET FIGHTER CONTAINING SECRET EQUIPMENT TO THE WEST.

DEPUTY STATE PROSECUTOR GUENTER WENDLAND ASKED THE EAST GERMAN HIGH COURT FOR THE LIFE SENTENCE ON GUENTER LAUDAHN, 36, WHO SAID HE WAS RECRUITED INTO THE U.S. CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY SOON AFTER FLEEING FROM EAST BERLIN TO THE WEST IN 1962.

WENDLAND CALLED FOR A 10-YEAR SENTENCE FOR HANS-JUERGEN HANKE AND SIX YEARS FOR WERNER BAECKER, WHO ALLEGEDLY ADMITTED TRYING TO ARRANGE FOR EAST GERMANS TO ESCAPE TO THE WEST.

THE VERDICTS WERE EXPECTED WEDNESDAY--THE FIFTH DAY OF THE TRIAL.

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